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AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC RISES 11.0 PERCENT IN MARCH

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 16, 1992 -- Airline passenger traffic increased 11.0 percent in March compared with the same month last year, the Air Transport Association reported today.

In domestic service, traffic increased 2.2 percent in March, while available seat miles were up 0.6 percent. The passenger load factor averaged 60.8 percent, up from 59.9 percent for March 1991. Passenger enplanements increased 1.5 percent to 33.7 million.

In international service, traffic in March was up 44.9 percent. Available seat miles increased 26.8 percent. The load factor averaged 68.2 percent, compared with 59.7 percent for March 1991. 3.3 million passengers were enplaned in March 1992, up 25.8 percent from the same period last year.

For the first three months of 1992, domestic traffic increased 0.3 percent, and available seat miles were up 2.1 percent. The load factor decreased to 56.8 percent. Passenger enplanements were down 0.8 percent, with 91.5 million passengers.

International traffic for the first three months of 1992 was up 38.4 percent. The available seat miles increased 21.1 percent, and the load factor averaged 65.4 percent, up from 57.3 percent last year. The number of passengers increased 24.1 percent to 9.3 million.

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PRELIMINARY SCHEDULED PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
SYSTEM OPERATIONS

MONTH	REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	ANNUAL PERCENT CHANGE	AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	ANNUAL PERCENT CHANGE	LOAD FACTOR	PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	ANNUAL PERCENT CHANGE
1991							
January	33,122,285	(1.8)	58,138,799	(1.1)	57.0	33,239	(2.4)
February	28,250,887	(10.4)	50,232,971	(5.7)	56.2	30,741	(7.4)
March	33,909,607	(11.2)	56,681,410	(5.8)	59.8	35,850	(10.6)
April	34,954,831	(4.2)	55,215,703	(6.3)	63.3	36,323	(4.2)
May	37,140,645	(0.1)	58,502,714	(4.1)	63.5	37,432	(1.2)
June	40,520,470	(2.0)	60,228,843	(2.0)	67.3	38,956	(3.5)
July	43,535,541	(0.8)	63,941,255	(1.1)	68.1	41,106	(1.3)
August	46,185,842	(0.9)	64,737,215	(1.0)	71.3	42,925	(3.3)
September	36,470,419	(0.1)	59,538,782	(1.9)	61.3	34,604	(2.2)
October	37,683,000	0.6	61,048,393	(1.8)	61.7	37,159	(2.1)
November	33,762,251	(1.9)	57,597,691	(1.4)	58.6	33,870	(5.3)
December	37,053,311	3.6	59,116,724	(1.4)	62.7	36,671	2.5
TOTAL 1991	442,589,089	(2.3)	704,980,500	(2.8)	62.8	438,876	(3.4)
Jan - Mar	95,282,779	(7.9)	165,053,180	(4.2)	57.7	99,830	(7.0)
1992							
January	33,602,044	1.4	59,322,495	2.0	56.6	32,227	(3.0)
February	32,061,922	13.5	55,818,133	11.1	57.4	31,617	2.8
March	37,639,990	11.0	60,077,821	6.0	62.7	37,042	3.3
TOTAL 1992	103,303,956	8.4	175,218,449	6.2	59.0	100,886	1.1

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULED PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

MARCH 1992 - 1991

	MARCH			YEAR TO DATE		
	1992	1991	PERCENT CHANGE	1992	1991	PERCENT CHANGE

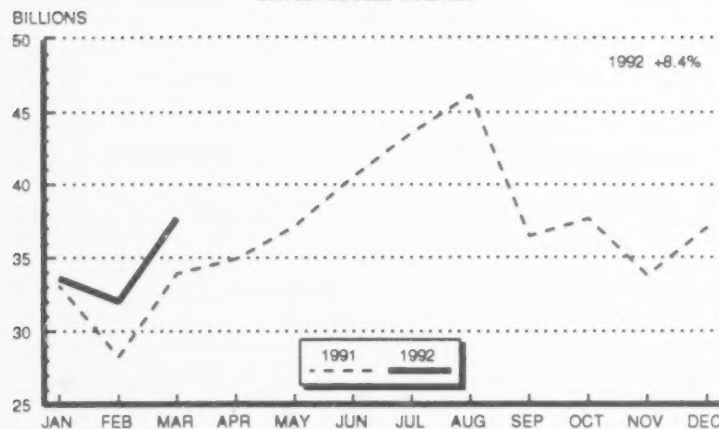
DOMESTIC						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	33,724	33,212	1.5	91,543	92,301	(.8)
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	27,518,930	26,922,834	2.2	75,160,176	74,941,197	.3
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	45,240,695	44,978,515	.6	132,210,734	129,552,396	2.1
LOAD FACTOR (%)	60.8	59.9		56.8	57.8	

INTERNATIONAL						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	3,318	2,638	25.8	9,343	7,529	24.1
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	10,121,060	6,986,773	44.9	28,143,780	20,341,582	38.4
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	14,837,126	11,702,895	26.8	43,007,715	35,500,784	21.1
LOAD FACTOR (%)	68.2	59.7		65.4	57.3	

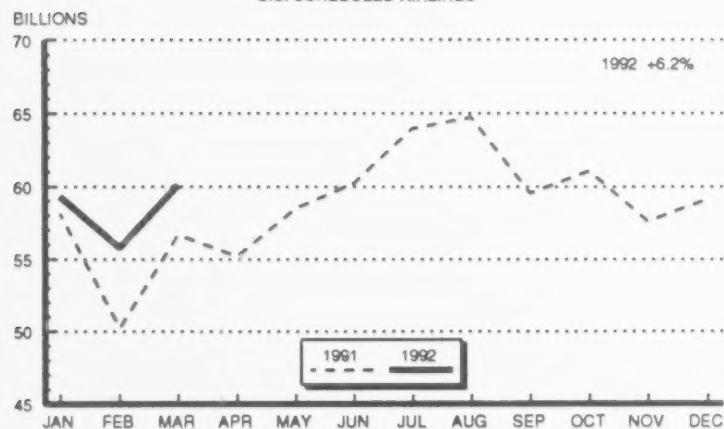
TOTAL						
PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS (000)	37,042	35,850	3.3	100,886	99,830	1.1
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES (000)	37,639,990	33,909,607	11.0	103,303,956	95,282,779	8.4
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES (000)	60,077,821	56,681,410	6.0	175,218,449	165,053,180	6.2
LOAD FACTOR (%)	62.7	59.8		59.0	57.7	

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICA WEST, AMERICAN, CONTINENTAL, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PAN AMERICAN,
SOUTHWEST, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, ALASKA, ALOHA, HAWAIIAN, AND MIDWAY.

PASSENGER TRAFFIC
REVENUE PASSENGER MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES



CAPACITY
AVAILABLE SEAT MILES
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES



LOAD FACTOR
PERCENT OF CAPACITY UTILIZED
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINES

